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## **PREPARED RIVER-CROSSING SITES AND BRIDGE COMPONENT STORAGE FACILITIES IN POLAND (S)**

1. (S/D) This report discusses six prepared river-crossing sites and ten bridge component storage facilities in Poland identified [redacted] (Figure 1 and Table 1). These sites, which have been constructed over a period of several years,<sup>1</sup> provide alternate crossing points over major water obstacles and enhance the ability of the Warsaw Pact forces to ensure the forward movement of men and materiel in an operational environment.

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2. (S/D) Six prepared river-crossing sites have been identified along the Oder and Vistula Rivers, the major obstacles to the westward movement of ground forces in Poland. The construction of prepared river-crossing sites and the storage of bridge components along these rivers improves the Warsaw Pact's capability to maintain lines of communication. These sites will probably be used for the replacement of destroyed spans, augmentation of existing bridges, or for short gap crossings.

3. (S/D) Five of the six prepared river-crossing sites are rail served. The other site, which is at Bydgoszcz, is a road-crossing site. At the rail-crossing sites, rail lines have been laid to the banks of the rivers. Floating railway bridges will probably complete the link across the river when the crossings are in use. The rail-crossing site at Kunice is on the Polish/East German border and has a rail-to-road loading platform on the East German side of the river (Figure 2).

4. (S/D) The ten bridge component storage facilities are within 10 kilometers of the Oder or Vistula Rivers. The bridge components at Rembertow are stored under cover (Figure 3). Ground photography reveals that these components probably make up the Polish DMS-65 heavy-girder bridge which was adopted in 1971.<sup>2,3</sup> A similar type of bridge is at Swiecie, although some of the components there are stored outside. The storage facilities at Rembertow and Swiecie are road served. The other eight storage facilities are rail served and house components of an unidentified type of heavy bridge. These components are stored in the open (Figure 4).

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ITEMS KEYED TO TABLE 1

• RESERVE BRIDGING COMPONENT STORAGE FACILITY  
○ PREPARED RIVER CROSSING SITE

**FIGURE 1. RIVER-CROSSING SITES AND BRIDGE COMPONENT STORAGE FACILITIES IN POLAND**

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**Table 1.**  
**Prepared River-Crossing Sites and Bridge**  
**Component Storage Facilities in Poland**  
**(Items keyed to Figure 1)**

*This table in its entirety is classified SECRET/WNINTEL*

Item	Location	Crossing Site	Storage Facility	Coordinates
1	Bydgoszcz Road Crossing Site Vistula River	X		53-05-10N 018-13-45E
2	Czerwiesk Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	52-01-59N 015-25-29E
3	Deblin Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	51-30-10N 021-55-15E
4	Deblin Rail Crossing Site Vistula River	X		51-28-25N 021-54-20E
5	Glogow Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	51-41-40N 016-04-40E
6	Josefow Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	51-07-45N 021-49-48E
7	Kostrzyn Rail Crossing Site Oder River	X		52-31-50N 014-36-30E
8	Kunice Rail Crossing Site Oder River	X		52-15-45N 014-39-30E
9	Kwidzyn Rail Crossing Site Vistula River	X		53-43-30N 018-50-30E
10	Kwidzyn Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	53-42-40N 018-52-30E
11	Mieszkowice Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	52-45-05N 014-28-45E
12	Rembertow Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	52-15-40N 021-08-35E
13	Siekieri Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	52-49-05N 014-14-00E
14	Siekieri Rail Crossing Site Oder River	X		52-48-30N 014-13-50E
15	Swiecie Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	53-23-40N 018-24-20E
16	Szczecin Reserve Bridging Storage Facility		X	53-20-40N 014-26-30E

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